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## McGUIRE'S TAKES CLOSE CONTEST

High School Succumbs After Hardest Kind of Play by 6 to 5.

### EASY GOAL EASILY MISSED

Tie Score Prevented When Ancarrow Fails to Put Leather Between Posts.

Smarting under two decisive defeats administered last year, the football eleven of McGuire's University School yesterday jumped into the ranks of the lads from John Marshall High School and nosed out a hard-earned victory, 6 to 5.

Not even when the mighty gladiators of the so-called "big eleven" get together is there given a better exhibition of the great college game than was witnessed at Broad Street Park yesterday, when the midgits battled for forty minutes in the first game of the prep school series. Nor is there ever seen, locally at least, more enthusiastic support than was accorded the moteskin clad lads.

Unfortunately for the youngsters, there was not enough crowd. Not enough interest is being manifested by the grown-ups in the efforts of the smaller schools to take their place in the ranks of athletics. It is truly a pity, for when it comes to aggressiveness, to real pluck, to that spirit which is ready to do at all times for alma mater, to the evidence of feeling which never falters when defeat has arrived, these same youngsters should be accorded the palm.

Both teams were well trained and each showed equal ability. The bare margin of one point tells how closely they were matched. At times it looked as if the High School would overwhelm their opponents from the private institution. But, when under the shadow of their goal, the McGuire contingent would brace and fight with a spirit which was bound to conquer.

Coach Johns has developed a speedy crowd in his High School boys, and in the first quarter it appeared for a few minutes as if he would have the pleasure of seeing his pupils come off with the honors. McGuire had a different opinion, and when danger threatened held the sturdy lads from the public school well in hand, so that the first period closed with the leather in mid-field, after a vicious punt from the toe of Scott. In the High School's possession, neither team having been able to score.

Paschall's Long Run.  
Toward the close of the second period, with the ball on the High School's forty-five-yard line, Williamson made a poor pass, and Paschall, for McGuire, grabbed the leather, running the sixty yards through a broken field for the first touchdown of the game. A moment later Scott put his toe to the oval, and the point gained by a perfect goal had been scored. This point, by the way, was the one which won the game.

The third period was all for the public school warriors. On at least two occasions they took the leather down the field to within striking distance of their opponents' goal, only to find a stone wall against which they were unable to gain. With King and Montgomery carrying the ball, however, the High School was able to make it even so far as touchdowns were concerned. King was given the ball when forty yards away from the goal. On a delayed pass he trumped over McGuire's left tackle and went the distance. Ancarrow missed an easy goal, and the score was 6 to 5.

High School Teles Herd.  
In the last period the High School made a desperate effort to score. With just a few minutes to play, a beautifully executed forward pass from Gray to Cosby took the ball to McGuire's fifteen-yard line, right under the shadow of the goal. But the line failed to yield, and the ball went over. Scott was called on, and he responded with all that could be desired, punting forty yards. Out of danger went the ball. Back it came, with Montgomery and King doing yeoman service, and it never rested until on the five-yard line of the defensive eleven. But the line again held, and Scott kicked to safety.

The High School was unable to gain, and Ancarrow kicked, the ball taking a bad bounce just as Ebel was about to grab it, and the game ended with a punt down the field by McGuire, which Paschall regained in a fumble.

It was a grand game of football, and both Coach Johns and Coach Morrell have just cause to be proud of their teams. Summing it all up, High School gained more yards on attack than McGuire's. The attack of McGuire's was directed principally toward King and Montgomery, which fact came very near losing them the game. In moving out praise to individuals, Paschall, Scott and Ebel, for McGuire's, deserve credit, and for High School Montgomery, King, Gray and Cosby stand out. The summary follows:

Line-Up of Teams.  
McGuire's. Position. High School.  
Left end.....left end.....Sands  
Freeman.....left tackle.....Hamlin  
Lynch.....left guard.....Ancarrow  
Seales.....center.....Williamson  
Stevens.....right guard.....Robins  
Smith.....right tackle.....McBride  
Ebel (Capt.).....right end.....Hoover  
Scott.....left half.....Montgomery  
Paschall.....fullback.....Brumley  
Cottrell.....quarterback.....Gray  
Referee, Roles; Winfree, Linesman; Barr, field judge; Schenck, timekeeper. Touchdowns—King, Paschall. Goals from touchdowns, Scott. Goals missed, Ancarrow. Time of quarters, 10 minutes each. Score, J. M. H. S., 5; McGuire's, 6.

## IS EASY WINNER OF STEEPLECHASE

Blackbridge Makes Show of Field Over the Jumps at Laurel.

Laurel, Md., October 20.—Blackbridge was an easy winner of the steeplechase this afternoon. Nicely rated, he made a show of the field over the jumps. Lat had had a fall over the seventh jump. Foramer, at 7 to 1, captured the five furlong dash, but was forced to equal the track record for the distance to win.

First race—purse \$500, two-year-olds, five furlongs—Foramer (8 to 1) first, Silas Grump (7 to 5) second, Peasta (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:04.  
Second race—purse \$400, two-year-olds, six furlongs—True Blue (4 to 5) first, Lady Rosalie (4 to 1) second, Wood Dove (even) third. Time, 1:14.  
Third race—purse \$100, three-year-olds and up, six furlongs—Fond Heart (5 to 1) first, Premier (6 to 5) second, Abraham (2 to 1) third. Time, 1:13.  
Fourth race—steeplechase, purse \$500, three-year-olds and up, two miles—Blackbridge (4 to 5) first, The King (3 to 1) second, George Atwell (6 to 5) third. Time, 5:02.  
Fifth race—purse \$100, three-year-olds and up, one mile—Muff (11 to 5) first, The Whip (6 to 1) second, Bash (even) third. Time, 1:41.  
Sixth race—purse \$500, three-year-olds and up, mile and sixteenth—Ford (5 to 1) first, Sugar (even) second, Ed Keck (4 to 5) third. Time, 1:47.

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## WORKING TO AVENGE LAST YEAR'S DEFEAT

Carolina Plays Its First Big Game To Day Against Davidson College—Uneasiness in Football Circles Over Outcome.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
Chapel Hill, N. C., October 20.—Carolina is going into the Davidson battle on Saturday with a big lot of new plays to avenge last year's ignominious defeat, where the odds were in her favor or to know the reason why. The Davidson contest may be said to be practically the first game on the white and blue schedule, the two previous ones being with a prep school and Wake Forest. The latter college has always been considered easy by the Tar Heels, though their victorious sport this year gave the Chapel Hill lads a little uneasiness. Secret practice has been going on behind closed gates on the athletic field for the past two weeks, and on, in order to drill the squad so perfectly that it can get through complicated formations with ease and precision.

Carolina has learned its lesson from last year's season, when all loyal Chapel Hillians had a sort of comfortable feeling that they were going to land the Southern championship. All Carolina men who saw last year's game in Charlotte have a vivid remembrance of how the heavy Davidson bunch began the game by charging straight down with the shadow of Davidson's goal line, only to be held for downs. They remember how this was repeated again and again, and finally how the White and Blue punners dropped in sick dejection, while the "little red electric machine" was darting around its giant opponents for a touchdown, amid the triumphant waving of the Red and Black. Furthermore, the long jubilation parade of celebrating Presbyterians, which this will be the first game of the season for the locals, and they expect a victory. Under Coach Olin Hightower, the academy has very bright prospects for a successful season, and the result of today's game will be awaited with much interest among the alumni of the school.

To Play Fork Union.  
The football team of Richmond Academy will journey to Fork Union today, where a game of football will be played with Fork Union Academy. This will be the first game of the season for the locals, and they expect a victory. Under Coach Olin Hightower, the academy has very bright prospects for a successful season, and the result of today's game will be awaited with much interest among the alumni of the school.

Victory for Harrisonburg.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
Harrisonburg, Va., October 20.—In the first football game of the season today, Harrisonburg High School defeated Staunton High School 11 to 0.

## NEW YORK'S GIANTS BRIGHTENED BY DELAY

Pitchers in Good Condition and Teams Will Start Almost in Brand-New Struggle for Championship When They Meet Next Time.

BY "TIT" COBB.  
(Copyright, 1911, The Press Company.)  
Philadelphia, Pa., October 20.—Three days' rain and the consequent postponement of the world's series games have practically started the Athletics, of the American League, and the New York Giants, of the National League, in a brand-new struggle for the highest title which a baseball team can win. It is not that the Athletics have a big shade, in that they have won two of the three games played, but otherwise it will be just like beginning the series.

Last Tuesday afternoon, when the Athletics defeated the great Mathewson in New York, they had practically won the 1911 series, in the opinion of the writer. Manager McGraw had used his big, strong card, and for the first time in a battle for the world's championship "Al" had been defeated. The Giants were disheartened and discouraged, and must have felt that the odds were now in a bad way. But they won the three games necessary to annex the title. The Athletics, on the other hand, were jubilant. They had downed the wonderful Mathewson, and had a shade the best of the New Yorkers. They were in a position where they could say, "Well, we have won two games, and we have a star pitcher, and have you on the run, we'll show you what we really can do in the next game."

Any man who has played baseball or any other game will understand just what an advantage the Athletics had over their rivals. Now, I want to say that the Athletics' attitude concerning their still possess the advantage of having won two games. They have the ace in the hole, but the rest has surely benefited the Giants. While the game may be played to-morrow afternoon, for the Athletics and the National Commission realize that delay is robbing the series of interest. I believe it unlikely that the fourth contest will be staged before Monday afternoon. The diamond and outfield at Shibe Park must be so thoroughly soaked that the players' feet will be difficult, and fast running on the base lines would be impossible. This would be an equal handicap to both teams, but nevertheless a handicap which I do not believe the National Commission will permit during a series for the championship of the world. Understand, I do not want to say that the game will not be played to-morrow, for the rain might stop and the sun and wind dry the ground at Shibe Park nicely. But I believe the odds are against it.

Here is the situation in a nutshell. McGraw has Mathewson, who has been rested since Tuesday, four full days, and should be in a better condition than he was when the Mackmen defeated him. Marquard has rested five days and should be fit. Ames, Grandall and White are just as much a problem for McGraw to solve as they were on Wednesday. The big point is that McGraw can send "Matty" or Marquard in to-morrow. Monday, feeling certain that they have been rested sufficiently to be physically strong. Had the game been played Wednesday, it would have been a battle to have used Mathewson, who had weakened his arm by constant use of a curve ball. And Marquard, while not so tired, was cognizant of the fact that the Athletics had the Giants on the run, and would not have been as effective as he might be if used to-morrow or Monday.

I learned to-day that the Giants had been practicing on the "Phillies" grounds, where they could be bothered up. They will not go on the field when they play the Athletics laboring under the additional handicap of having been forced to loaf around a hotel for four days, without seeing a baseball or bat. There is a lot of satisfaction in simply tossing a few balls, finding out that your arm is right and your eyes good.

It might appear that I am trying to favor the Giants in the next game played, but that is far from my intention. I merely want to show why the rain has helped New York and has fitted them for the next two games. Important ones in the result of the series. For the sake of argument, let us suppose that the Giants will win the next game, whether it is played to-morrow or Monday. That would make the series a tie, each team hav-

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work. After remaining on the field for about an hour and a half, the men were driven to cover by a heavy rain. Manager McGraw said after his return to the hotel that he only wished to give the boys an opportunity to limber up their muscles.

The New York manager remains reticent when approached with the query as to his pitching probability. But it is reasonably sure that it will be either Mathewson or Marquard, most likely the former, now that he has three full days of rest, and that Marquard will be saved for the fifth game in New York.

There is little doubt but that Manager Mack will send Bender to the mound in the fourth game, and probably Coombs in the fifth.

As a matter of fact, Honaker is not going to take any chances with his team against the heavier team from Georgetown. He is directing his energy toward developing a championship team for the intercollegiate series of games. At the same time, while the college eleven will hardly be able to defeat Georgetown, it is expected that a close game will result, as the Spiders are particularly strong on defensive play. A great deal is going to devolve on how well the men selected to do the booting are going to do their work.

If the world's series game is played in Philadelphia to-day Manager Gary, of the Spiders, has arranged to receive reports of the game direct to the ball park by wire. This will prove an added attraction to those who attend.

## THREE RACES AT PETERSBURG FAIR

Petersburg, Va., October 20.—There were three races to-day, the second of which had five heats. The winners were as follows:

First race—three entries, pace. Purse, \$500, one mile—Winner, Dawson, 2:14. Time, 2:14.  
Second race—six entries, free for all. Purse, \$500, one mile—Winner, Direct Bear, Time, 2:14.  
Third race—six entries, running. Purse, \$150, three-fourths mile—Winner, Beau Brummel, Time, 1:16 1/4.

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## RAIN SHOWS NO SIGNS OF ABATING

Fourth Game in World's Series Probably Will Be Played Monday.

Philadelphia, Pa., October 20.—As the night advanced rain, which had fallen intermittently all day, increased, making it practically certain that the fourth game of the series between the New York Giants and the Athletics scheduled for this city to-morrow, would be again postponed.

Before leaving for New York this afternoon the members of the National Commission directed the umpires to go to Shibe Park at 7 o'clock to-morrow morning and view the playing field. Their suggestions are to be telegraphed to the National Commission at once, so that the game may be called off as early as possible, if the grounds are unfit, and thus enable out-of-town visitors to return to their homes early in the day. Local Forecaster Bliss holds out no hope of clearing weather during the night, and states that showers will continue in this locality all day to-morrow.

Philadelphia, October 20.—The outlook for clear weather to-morrow, which would permit the playing of the fourth game of the world's series between the New York Giants and the Athletics, is by no means encouraging. Tonight, rain, which began falling on last Tuesday night, and caused the postponement of Wednesday's game and which has continued almost incessantly ever since, is expected to continue to-morrow, and to-day, does not show any signs of abating.

Even should the weather clear to-night, and such a prediction would be extremely hazardous, it is doubtful whether the game could be played to-morrow. Where the diamond is so saturated the ground would dry out quickly, but on the turf, in some places, there are two inches of water. The suggestion by the members of the National Commission that it be poured upon the grounds and set on fire in order to put them in playing condition has had the official condemnation of Manager Mack, who states that such a procedure would soot the Athletics' uniforms and cause considerable money and ruin the playing field.

Manager McGraw, believing that the three-day lay-off was not conducive to the best interests of his players, to-day, despite the almost continuous downfall, took his team out to the National League baseball ground and gave them some practice in batting and throwing the ball. There was no attempt at fast work, for the condition of the field would not permit of anything but the most commonplace